



RMC Legislative Committee Meeting
Monday, March 13, 2023
2:00 pm to 3:00 pm
Zoom Teleconference
Agenda

Invited participants: Members of the RMC Legislative Committee
Lindsay Thompson, RMC Legislative Committee Co-Chair
Chris Benzing, RMC Legislative Committee Co-Chair
Charlotte Davis, Executive Director

- I. Welcome and Introductions Lindsay Thompson
- II. Review of February 27, 2023, Meeting Minutes
- III. Session Updates
 - a. HB200/SB181 – Budget Bill (Fiscal Year 2024) – House Appropriations Committee voted favorable with amendment, 3/10
 - b. HB695-Rural Maryland Prosperity Investment Fund – Revisions and Sunset Repeal (Rural Communities Improvement Act of 2023) Hearing held 2/24-ENT
 - c. HB596/SB511 – Health and Human Services Transportation Improvement Act of 2023, House - Hearing Held 2/28, HGO; Senate – Hearing Held 2/22 BNT.
- IV. Bill Tracking - Revisit
 - a. SB562 – Maryland Small Food Banks Grant Program – Establishment. Hearing 3/10, Finance Committee.
 - b. SB931/HB1188 – Public Utilities – Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity – Solar Photovoltaic Systems, Senate Hearing 3/15, EEE; House Hearing 3/9, EM.
 - c. HB1139 - Solid Waste Disposal and Diversion and On-Farm Composting and Compost Use, Hearing 3/8, E&T.
 - d. HB1213 – Wireless Facilities – Permitting and Siting, Withdrawn by Sponsor, ECM
 - e. HB548/SB550 - Financial Regulation - Maryland Community Investment Venture Fund - Establishment (Access to Banking Act)
- V. Other
 - a. Maryland Day – March 24, 2023
 - i. Handouts
 - 1. Rack Card
 - 2. Sponsor Handout

3. Handout: HB695-Rural Maryland Prosperity Investment Fund – Revisions and Sunset Repeal (Rural Communities Improvement Act of 2023)
 4. Handout: HB596/SB511 – Health and Human Services Transportation Improvement Act of 2023
- ii. Sponsors – Vendors
1. MARBIDCO – Product: Palmyra Farmstead Cheese, Washington County
 2. SMADC – Product: Sweet Treats By Sophia, Prince Georges County
 3. MDA – Maryland’s Best – Product: Blue Catfish
 4. Horizon Farm Credit – Products: The Waterman’s Wife, Kent County
 5. Broadband Cooperative – Product: Spirulina, Caroline County
 6. Heritage Areas – Product: Crabby Popcorn, St. Mary’s County

VI. Adjourn

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